

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Initially, Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for conducting an interview with Applicant's representative Kristi Kuhnert.

During the interview, Applicant's representative presented arguments distinguishing the claims from the cited references. In particular, Applicant's representative presented arguments along the lines of those set forth below in the section entitled "Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103". Specifically, Applicant's representative presented arguments as to how the cited references fail to show the claimed API.

Also discussed during the interview were proposed amendments to independent claims 1, 10, and 15. Applicant's representative understood the examiner to be receptive to the proposed claim amendments and tentatively agreed that the cited references did not appear to disclose these claim elements. The Examiner also indicated that he would review the references and update his search.

Applicant's representative herein amends independent claims 1, 10, and 15. Accordingly, the pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance for at least the reasons discussed during the interview.